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and second systems depending upon factors including climate and time of day, and

wherein the settlement for the transmitted energy amount is performed by conversion to fuel so as to simplify settlement between various currency systems.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-37 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 38-67 have been added. Accordingly, claims 38-67 are currently pending in the application.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for conducting an interview with the undersigned on December 17, 2002. The claims have been rewritten as discussed during the interview.

Applicants kindly request the Examiner to carefully consider all of the limitations recited in the independent claims as well as the dependent claims in view of the New Scientist reference which has heretofore been relied upon to reject the claims. This rejection may have, in part, been the result of some misunderstanding of the previous claim language. Pursuant to the interview, the claims have been rewritten to resolve any ambiguity.

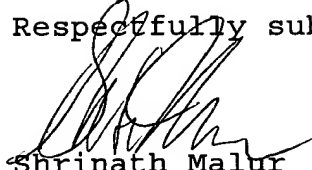
It is submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance.

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Examination is respectfully requested.

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